

Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel Hubbard Bell, July 25, 1911

Five! GHG BB Office, July 25, 1911. Dear Mabel:

You know I was up all night preparing instructions for Mr. McNeil relating to the apparatus to measure the lift and drift of hydroplanes. I wrote two notes to him fully illustrated by diagrams and enclosed with them the rough models he had made and put them on the kitchen table at daybreak with a note for Charles telling him to send them down to Mr. McNeil at the Laboratory first thing in the morning. I assumed that they had been sent and that the new models would now be ready for trial. McNeil had heard nothing of them and telephoned to the Point. Charles reports that the cook found them this morning and thought someone was trying to play a joke upon her and put them into the stove. Please make a ROW about this and have them search the stove for the remains. We have to begin all over again but if the metal pieces can be found it will save so much work. If anything can be found send them down here at once by John.

Your loving Alec.